

CITY OF HARRISONBURG NOTICE OF EARLY PUBLIC REVIEW CONSIDERATION OF ACTIONS IN FLOODPLAIN

The City of Harrisonburg has under review three applications for <u>Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds</u> on projects identified as: Downtown Streetscape Revitalization, Harrisonburg Wayfinding Sign System, and Shenandoah Bicycle Company Walking Path. CDBG funds are provided to the City by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

The Downtown Streetscape Revitalization Project is for physical improvements to the streetscape in historic downtown Harrisonburg, including but not limited to sidewalk, street, and utility improvements, landscaping, lighting, etc. This is a multi-year project and is located throughout the downtown historic district, as identified by maps and documentation located in the City Manager's Office and with the Virginia Department of Historic Resources. Parts of this historic district are located in the 100-year and/or 500-year floodplain according to the most current Flood Insurance Rate Maps and related information.

The Harrisonburg Wayfinding Sign System Project is a comprehensive wayfinding sign system that shall be located throughout the entire City to assist residents and visitors in locating points of interest. Signs shall be located on public property or in public rights-of-way, some of which may be located in the 100-year and/or 500-year floodplain according to the most current Flood Insurance Rate Maps and related information. Detailed maps and documentation showing exact placement for each sign are available for review in the City Manager's Office.

The Shenandoah Bicycle Company Walking Path Project is for physical improvements to an existing walking path between the public parking deck on Water Street and the Shenandoah Bicycle company building and parking lot, located at 135 South Main Street. The site is located in the 100-year floodplain according to the most current Flood Insurance Rate Maps and related information.

Pursuant to Executive Order #11988 (Floodplains) as well as HUD implementing regulations, it is HUD and City policy <u>not to consider</u> direct or indirect floodplain development unless there are no practicable alternatives. Comments may be submitted to the City of Harrisonburg no later than 15 days from the date of this notice. All comments must be received by 10:00 AM, Thursday, February 28, 2008. Comments should be addressed to Ms. Kimberly L. Alexander, Director of Special Projects & Grants Management, (540) 432-8923, Office of the City Manager, 345 South Main Street, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801.